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## VIA ELECTRONIC AND FIRST CLASS MAIL SERVICE

The Honorable Charles L.A. Terreni Chief Clerk **SC Public Service Commission** P.O. Drawer 11649 Columbia, SC 29211

2005-2946

RE:

Application of Pac-West Telecomm, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Facilities-Based and Resold Local Exchange and Interexchange Telecommunications Services, for Flexible Rate Structure for Local Exchange Service Offerings First Approved in Docket 97-467-C and for Alternative Regulation First Approved in Docket

No. 95-661-C

Docket No. 2005-294-C, Our File No. 1072-10322

Dear Mr. Terreni:

On behalf of Pac-West Telecomm, Inc. ("Pac-West"), I am writing to request that the Commission waive the 120-day "deadline" set out in S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-280(B) in order to allow a reasonable amount of additional time for this Docket to come to a conclusion. I have discussed this matter with counsel for the ORS, and the ORS joins in this request.

The Applicant is aware that the Commission has extended one or more statutory deadlines in recent Dockets, and believes that a waiver is appropriate in this Docket for a number of reasons. First, the deadline established by Act 354 (like the arbitration deadline set out in the Federal Telecommunications Act) exists for the benefit of the parties. The parties hereby waive their right to raise the Commission's "failure" to act within the statutory deadline in any appeal that could conceivably be taken from any Commission Order issued in this Docket.

Second, granting the proposed waiver would be in the best interest of all parties and the Commission, because it would allow adequate time for the parties to attend to the remaining steps that precede a final Order from the Commission in the Docket.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need further information.

With kind regards, I am

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